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RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 15, 2006, for the above-identified application. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.